

my district that was done by NAFTA a decade ago. I mentioned a woman I had met at the Buffalo Airport who, after 23 years working in a textile factory, was now selling energy drinks because her jobs had been shipped south and then overseas.

That's why I am fighting for policies that support making it in America. And that is why I am so proud that a company—Kittinger Furniture, a company that makes furniture that's found today in the White House—is being recognized by the 2012 Best: Made in America Award in recognition to their strong commitment to American manufacturing.

This Congress must work together to level the playing field for domestic businesses like Kittinger Furniture against unfair competition, particularly from China. The American Government and American consumers must commit to buying American so we can have more success stories like Kittinger's.

#### WINDMILL OF WILLFUL WASTE

(Mr. POE of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. POE of Texas. Mr. Speaker, Secretary Clinton is giving away \$2 billion of taxpayer money for green energy development in third-world countries. This isn't money for vaccines. This isn't money for clean water. This isn't money to help child hunger. This is money for green energy.

Don't we need to make sure that people have electricity before we worry about what kind of light bulb they are using? People are starving, being ransacked by terrorists, taken away as child soldiers, and dying of preventable diseases like diarrhea. So our government decided the best use of taxpayer money was to put billions in those countries for green energy.

Our government wasted millions of taxpayer dollars on phony loans for green energy right here in the United States to companies like Solyndra. Congress didn't even approve this \$2 billion giveaway.

With all the problems of debt in the United States and disease in other countries, government is providing subsidies for green energy. Who would have thought? The government is out of control. More taxpayer money thrown into the windmill of willful waste.

And that's just the way it is.

#### THE SUPREME COURT RULING

(Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. GENE GREEN of Texas. Mr. Speaker, I want to say that I'm proud of the decision of the United States Supreme Court today. I was proud to serve on the Energy and Commerce

Committee that actually drafted this bill. I read it many times, and I actually had a lot of amendments.

The Affordable Care Act has already benefited millions of Americans and will continue to help those who are in the greatest of need—children, young adults, people with preexisting conditions, and our seniors. In my own congressional district in Texas, this is particularly important because we have one of the highest rates of uninsured individuals in the country.

Our Constitution gives the U.S. Supreme Court the job to be the decider on what is constitutional. The Affordable Care Act is constitutional. Just like Social Security and Medicare, now it's the law of this great Nation.

#### TODAY IS A GREAT DAY

(Mr. COHEN asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, today is a great day. It's a great day for children who want to stay on their parents' health insurance until they're 26—or parents who want their children on their health insurance until they're 26. It's a great day for seniors that are concerned about the doughnut hole, for women who have been discriminated against in health care, for all people who don't want to have copays for preventative care. It's a great day for people who don't want lifetime caps on their insurance or to be denied because of preexisting conditions. And it's a great day for America because the rule of law has been upheld.

Justice Roberts rightfully ruled that this was appropriate and constitutional. Let us not forget Justices Ginsburg and Sotomayor and Kagan and Breyer, the five Justices who upheld the Supreme Court belief that the American people have that it is a rule of law and that the Court is not political.

It was a great day for American health care and for American law and jurisprudence.

#### TODAY'S VICTORY

(Mrs. MALONEY asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mrs. MALONEY. Mr. Speaker, today is not a victory for one party or another. It is not a victory for an ideology. It is a victory for the American people and for the millions who had, for years, gone without access to quality health care. It is a victory for women who will no longer be discriminated against in their insurance premiums and for preexisting conditions and for women and children and seniors and families.

This is a great day for our country, as we finally join the community of economically advanced nations that see to it that all their citizens have access to quality care.

Let's get on with the unfinished business of helping create more jobs and putting a Nation of healthy Americans back to work.

#### A TRIBUTE TO DR. WENDY WAYNE

(Mr. COSTA asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. COSTA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to the life of Dr. Wendy Wayne, who passed away on June 17, 2012, at the age of 64 after fighting a courageous 4-year battle with non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Wendy was a loving wife and mother, a committed activist and respected community leader who touched the lives of many. Wendy led a courageous and energetic life filled with love and adventure. She joined the Peace Corps at an early age and served in Kenya. As a seasoned traveler, Wendy swam the Earth's five oceans.

Her work as an educator, a nurse, and a community leader demonstrated her dedication to fostering and preserving and improving the health and safety of children throughout the world. And her compassion and concern for the community also served as a testament to her extraordinary character.

Wendy Wayne's unwavering loyalty to Kern County and her commitment to the well-being of future generations will ensure that her legacy will live on. She stands as a role model for her family, her friends, and all that knew and worked with her.

And we will all miss her. I will miss my dear friend Wendy Wayne.

#### IN OPPOSITION TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL CONTEMPT VOTE

(Ms. FUDGE asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend her remarks.)

Ms. FUDGE. Mr. Chairman, today I rise to speak in opposition to the House resolution to hold Attorney General Eric Holder in contempt of Congress.

With total disregard of the fact that the Attorney General and the Department of Justice have cooperated with each inquiry from the House Oversight and Government Reform Committee during the last 15 months, Chairman Issa decided to pursue this extreme and unprecedented action.

To take action on this resolution is a gross misuse of this Chamber's time and energy, given that the information requested by Chairman Issa will shed no light on the person or persons responsible for the death of Agent Brian Terry, and that is where our time and energy should be focused.

Instead of wasting the time of the committee, the Department of Justice, and the American people with political distractions, the House should be addressing the issues important to the welfare of this country and its people, and that is jobs.